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ALL ABOARD READING™



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Henry the Octopus found a  
book at the Underwater Library.  
It was all about jobs.



Henry wondered, "Maybe I  
should be something other  
than the leader of the  
Underwater Big Band?"



The next day, Henry told the Underwater Big Band, "I need to try new things. I hope you can get along without me as your leader."



The band was surprised. They all liked Henry and they did not want to stand in his way.

"We wish you the best,"  
Jacques the Shark said.



Henry didn't know which job  
to try first. He saw Captain  
Feathersword's ship.

"That's it!" Henry exclaimed. "I  
already love the sea. I'll become  
the captain of a pirate ship!"



"I want to find out what it is like to be a pirate," Henry said.



Captain Feathersword clapped Henry on the back. "Ahoy there, me hearty! It's the greatest job on all the seven seas."

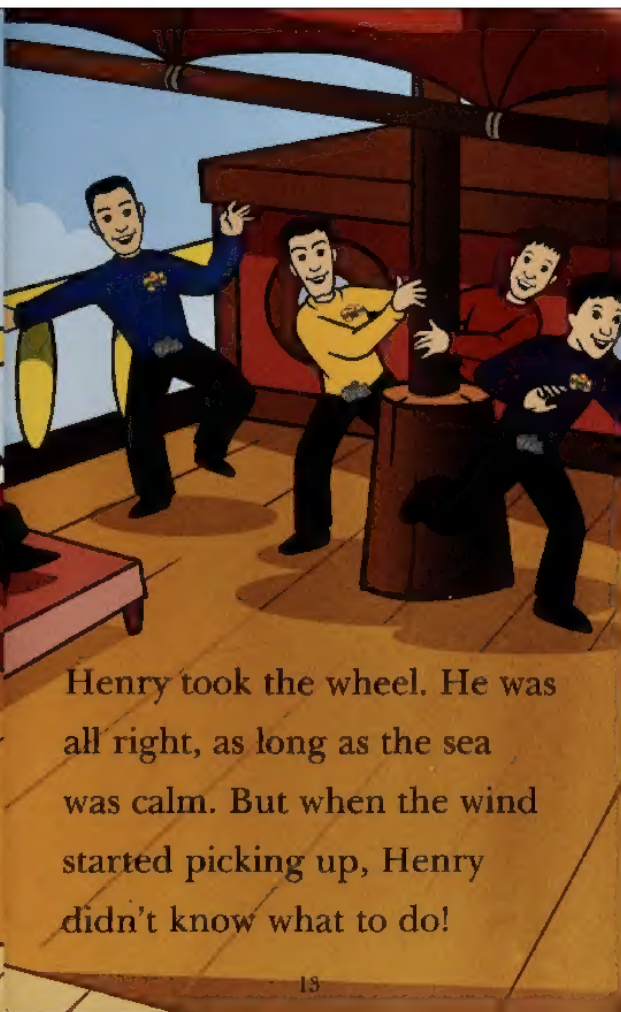




Then he told Henry, "The only way to learn is by experience. Why don't you take the wheel while I have a nap?"



Henry took the wheel. He was all right, as long as the sea was calm. But when the wind started picking up, Henry didn't know what to do!



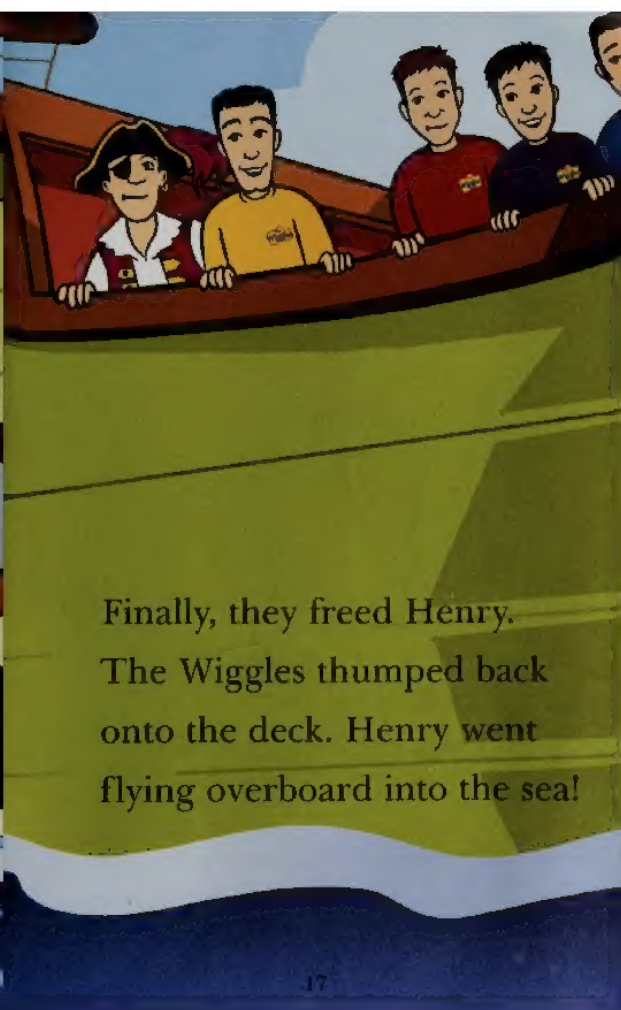


Suddenly, the wheel spun out of control. Henry became tangled in its spokes. "Captain Feathersword!" Henry shouted.



Captain Feathersword and The Wiggles grabbed Henry. They pulled with all their might.





When Henry was back on deck,  
he decided he didn't want to  
be a pirate anymore.

"There are plenty of jobs for me  
on land," Henry told himself.



As he was crossing a street,  
Henry saw Officer Beaples  
directing traffic.

"That looks like fun!"

Henry exclaimed.







Soon, Henry was wearing his very own police uniform.

But since Henry's eight legs all pointed in different directions, the drivers got confused. Henry had caused a traffic jam!

"It's all my fault," Henry told  
Officer Beaples.

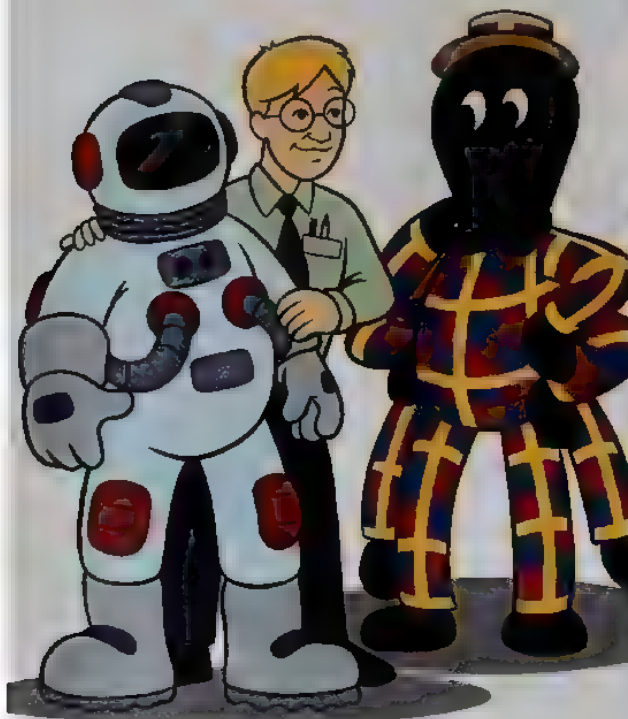
"No one is good at everything,  
Henry," the kind officer replied.



*But I must be good at something,*  
Henry thought. He went back  
to the library and made a list of  
new jobs.



Henry tried to be an astronaut,  
but all the space suits had only  
two arms and two legs.



Henry found that he was a very  
fast artist. Henry could paint  
eight paintings at a time!  
Unfortunately, he also made  
eight times the mess.



"Hmmm . . ." Henry sighed. "I have too many legs, but there must be something I can do. I miss my friends in the Underwater Big Band."



The Wiggles knew that the Underwater Big Band needed Henry as much as he needed them. "Why don't you go see them?" Murray suggested.



When they reached the rehearsal, Jeff tugged at his ears. "This doesn't sound like the Underwater Big Band."

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The musicians saw Henry and The Wiggles. They put down their instruments and cheered, "Henry!"

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Henry picked up eight batons  
and started conducting with all  
of them at once.



"They're eight times better!"  
Murray said.

Soon, all The Wiggles were  
wiggling underwater to the  
music.





"I'm glad I tried different jobs,"  
Henry said. "Now I really  
appreciate doing what I do best.  
Let's play it once more from  
the top!"

